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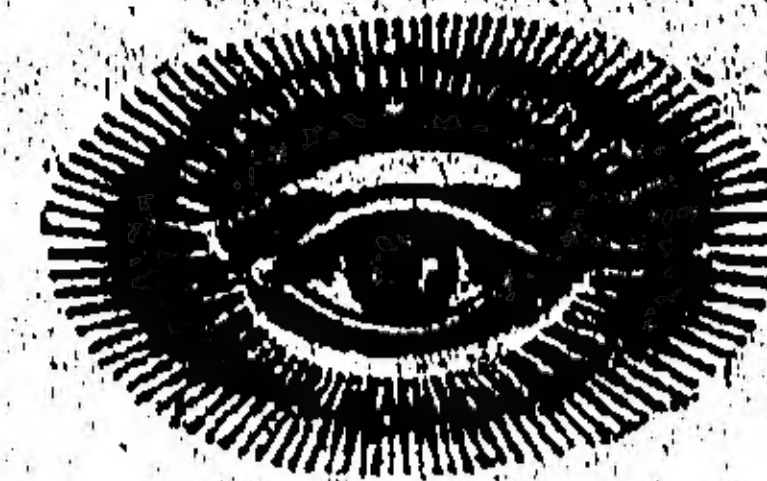
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YANGTSE DANGERS.

Outlook Uncertain and Menacing.

EVACUATION PROCEEDING.

Consuls and Warships Being Withdrawn.

The Yangtse outlook is described as uncertain and menacing. Complete British and American evacuation, including the closing of consulates and the withdrawing of warships, is now proceeding at certain ports. This action is being taken because it is feared the situation may get out of hand at any moment.

TAKING NO CHANCES.

Why The Evacuation Is Proceeding.

The following wireless messages have been received by the local naval authorities:—

Owing to trade being at a standstill during the progress of the present Revolution and Civil War, the British and American communities, the Consul and gunboats are being withdrawn at Chungking because recent events have shown that the situation may at any moment get out of hand and endanger the lives of foreigners in the zone of hostilities.

Americans Being Evacuated.

The British and American communities, the Consul and gunboats at Ichang also are being withdrawn after completion of the Chungking evacuation and for the same reasons.

British and Americans at Changsha are being withdrawn in the same way as at Chungking and Ichang.

Considerable troop movement at Hankow is reported.

The American community at Hankow is being reduced to a minimum.

It is hoped to transfer the negotiations at Wuhu regarding the sinking of a military launch by the s.s. "Kutwo" for settlement at Hankow.

Chiang Postpones Visit.

Later. The situation at Wuhu is normal. "Kutwo" negotiations are continuing.

Retaliatory measures by foreign men-of-war in view of the constant firing on river steamers and naval vessels have been approved. (The message does not state what form the retaliatory measures will take).

There is no change in the situation at Shanghai.

General Chiang Kai-shek, who was to have met Admiral Williams on board the U.S. flagship "Pittsburg" yesterday, sent a message pointing his visit to some future date.

Woosung Shipping Order.

Yang Chu-chung (the Northern Admiral who turned over to the South and whose action brought about the firing on the Kiangnan Arsenal) has issued notices requesting all sea-going vessels not to enter the entrance of Woosung from sunset to sunrise.

Senior Naval Foreign officers are meeting to-day (Wednesday) to discuss whether or not this action shall be emulated.

H.M.S. "Cricket" is standing by at Woosung ready to receive evacuees should it be deemed necessary.

Ningpo is quiet.

Review of the Position.

Outlook Uncertain And Menacing.

Rugby, March 29.

The situation at Shanghai is reported to be quiet at present, although agitators show considerable activity. It is understood that French and American reinforcements are being sent.

It is stated that General Chiang Kai-shek visited the United States cruiser "Pittsburg" to-day to discuss with Admiral Williams arrangements for reserving order in the district. The Southern Chinese Admiral Lo visited Admiral Williams yesterday.

The situation up the Yangtse is uncertain and menacing. The British authorities have decided to evacuate all British at Ichang on the Yangtse River, 185 miles west of Hankow, at Changsha, 100 miles south-east of Ichang, and at Chungking on the Yangtse River, 850 miles above Hankow.

MR. TOM MANN.

Disowned By British Labour.

COMPLETELY REPUDIATED.

London, Feb. 23.

Mr. Havelock Wilson, president of the Seamen's Union, speaking at a luncheon at the Hotel Cecil, referred to Mr. Tom Mann's activities in China. He said it was surprising that such men were not exposed. Mr. Mann wrecked trade unionism in Australia and had done his best to ruin it in Britain; yet he was the type of man Mr. Ramsay Mac-



Mr. Havelock Wilson.

Donald meekly followed. He added that the seamen in 1921 rejected nationalisation of which they had experienced in the American State-owned ships as well as those of Australia. It proved a tyrannical system. Australian-owned ships were "something dreadful."

Communist delegates of the international proletariat recently arrived in Canton. They expressed their sympathy with the aims of the Chinese Nationalist Reds. They stated they had come to Canton to study the situation and to establish contact with the Chinese for the furtherance of the world revolution movement. They exhorted the Chinese people to continue in their struggle against foreign domination.

Mr. Tom Mann, the former British Labour leader, who was present at a banquet given to the delegates, expressed the indignation of the English working classes against the conduct of "British Imperialist pirates." He urged the Chinese people to continue their fight for the deliverance of China from the tentacles of British Imperialism.

COMMUNIST MESSENGER.

Any obscurity about the purpose of Mr. Tom Mann's presence in China was removed when I saw Mr. Albert Inkpin, secretary of the Communist Party of Great Britain, wrote the "Daily Telegraph's" Labour Correspondent in mail week. "Who sent Tom Mann to China?" I asked him at the close of the Communist executive meeting. "We did," replied Mr. Inkpin, "as part of an international delegation, to convey the greetings of the British workers to the Cantonese Nationalist movement, including the Army. He is our only British representative, and others have gone from the Communist parties of France, Germany, Russia, America, and Czechoslovakia. They have just arrived, and I received a card from him dated from Vladivostok."

Pernicious Manifesto.

Mr. Inkpin also handed to me a manifesto issued by the Political Bureau of the Communist party, declaring that "responsibility for the murder of twenty trade unionists, for organising a general strike at Shanghai falls entirely upon the Baldwin Imperialist Government."

This manifesto declares that Sun was only enabled to send more troops to the front, thanks to the arrival of British reinforcements. Then it becomes very precise in advising direct action

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on Wednesday, 15/18/19.

ANOTHER CLASH.

Singapore Disturbances Continue.

POLICE BATON CHARGE.

Singapore, March 29.

The authorities view seriously the disturbances going on since the Sun Yat-sen celebrations. Public vehicles and police are frequently attacked.

There was another violent clash to-night.

The police made a baton charge and effected many arrests of Chinese.

The Magistrates are inflicting salutary sentences. Armed troops are standing by at the police stations.—Reuter.

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Message by Secretary of State.

FUTURE OF THE COLONY.

Under instructions of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the Governor of Hong Kong issued the following communication at a meeting of the District Watchmen Committee held at Government House this morning:—

"His Majesty's Government would be glad if you would convey to the District Watchmen Committee and to the whole community of Hong Kong their sincere sympathy in the great difficulties with which it is beset and their admiration for the energy and resource which have been displayed in facing these difficulties. His Majesty's Government have noted with the greatest satisfaction the loyalty of the whole community, and particularly of the Chinese, to the Hong Kong Government, and they feel confident that the fortitude and resolution shown in the trying circumstances of the past two years by all concerned are a guarantee that when normal conditions have been restored the Colony will continue to prosper in the future as in the past. You can, of course, assure the Committee and the Colony that His Majesty's Government will give the fullest protection to Hong Kong and its mainland territories during the civil war now unhappily raging in China and that they have no intention whatever of surrendering Hong Kong or of abandoning or diminishing in any way its rights or authority in any part of the adjacent mainland territories under British administration to the maintenance of which His Majesty's Government attach the highest importance."

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It was stated that although she was living on "parish relief," Mrs. Seely rented the house in Morant Street, Popular, and let three rooms to a police-constable for 12s. 6d. a week. At the time of her death she was carrying a dress case in which was found a quantity of valuable jewellery, including a gold watch and chain and rings. She had no near relatives, and she had told a friend that she would like Mr. Ellis, her late husband's stepfather, to have her property, but she objected to sign a paper, thinking that she would die in a few days if she did so. Mr. Ellis, it was stated, is 85 years of age, and Mrs. Seely had been staying at his house at Hatfield during Christmas.

The coroner said that as the lady had died intestate, his officer would have to take the property to the Treasury authorities and receive instructions from them. If they acted in the matter they would probably allow so much for the funeral expenses.

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Hong Kong, 24th March, 1927.

"FOOLISH OLD MAN."

PRETENDED TO BE A MURDERER.

The jury at a Stepney inquest on Saturday returned a verdict of death from natural causes in the case of Jane Williams, of Miller-court, Dural Street, Spitalfields, who was found dead in her room, and in connection with whose death an inmate of the West Ham Union institution at Whipps-cross has been remanded on a charge of murder.

Police-sergeant Lane said that the man in custody, Joseph Carson, entered Bow Road Police Station on Thursday, and said he wished to give himself up as he had murdered a woman and could not stand it any longer. He added that he had strangled her.

Dr. R. M. Bronte, who made a post-mortem examination, said that there was no evidence of any injury or strangulation. It was quite a natural death.

Joseph Carson gave evidence, and said that it was "a lie" that he told the police.

Dr. Guthrie (the coroner): Were you in drink?

Carson: No; I had only half a dozen drinks. You cannot get drunk on 2s.

Dr. Guthrie: You were a foolish old man to give the police all this trouble. Turning to the jury, the coroner added: "I am sorry, gentlemen, that you have had all this trouble over a silly old man."

POISON FOR FORTY.

LUCKY ESCAPE OF SUICIDE'S FAMILY.

"I have never before been addressed as a cigar," observed Dr. Edwin Smith, the Hackney coroner, when holding an inquest on William Frederick Patterson, 42, a glass silversmith, of Lockner Road, Dalston, who committed suicide by taking cyanide of potassium. The coroner was referring to a letter which Patterson had left addressed to "Dear Corona."

Evidence was to the effect that the man had boasted that he carried about with him sufficient poison to kill forty people. Upon the production of a bottle labelled "cough drops," Dr. Smith said that the man's boast was not an idle one, as it contained enough of the cyanide to kill a large number of persons.

The widow stated that her husband had not only threatened but had endeavoured to poison her and her children, and the coroner, in recording a verdict of suicide while of unsound mind, said the man's wife and family were to be congratulated on their lucky escape.

PUNCHED SHARK.

GALLANT EFFORT TO SAVE BOY.

Heroic attempts were made to rescue to-day a lad named Mervyn Allum, 15 years of age, whom a shark attacked at Port Jackson, a holiday resort near Sydney. The shark seized Allum by the upper part of the leg and dragged him under the water. The boy's screams attracted a man, Stanley Gibbs, who swam to the rescue, and, reaching Allum, seized his arm with one hand and punched the shark with the other. Gibbs then struck out for the shore, pushing the now unconscious boy in front of him. The shark twice attacked them unsuccessfully, but by that time Donald Campbell, in a rowing boat, managed to drag both Allum and Gibbs into shallow water. The boy was terribly mutilated and died. Sharks infest Sydney Harbour, and the ocean beaches and neighbouring waters, but fatalities are, fortunately, few although five persons have been killed during the last two years. Surf clubs patrol the beaches, the members often participating in splendid rescues.

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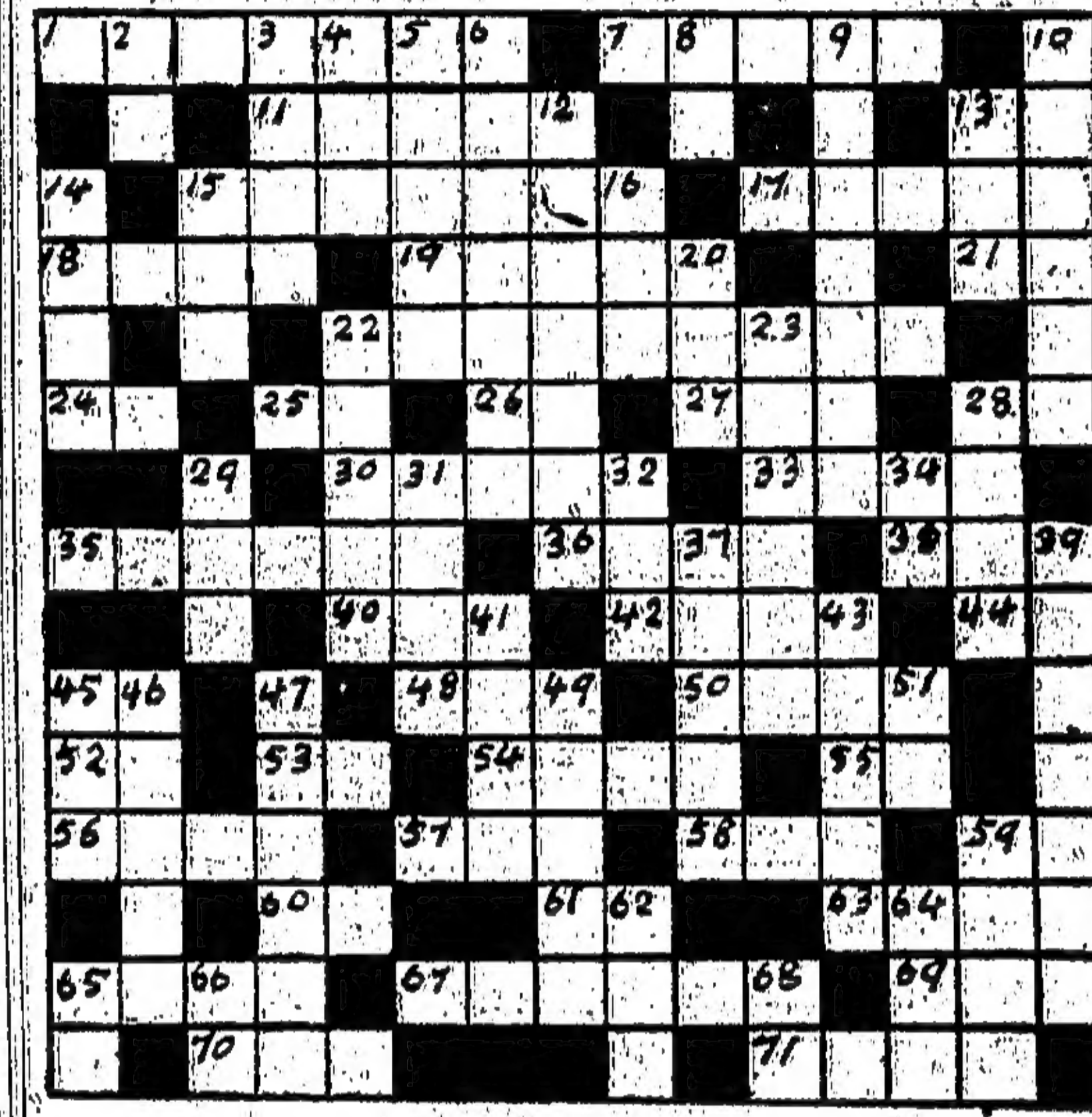
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|---------------------------------------|---|
| 1. Moves violently. | 2. We. |
| 3. Nimble. | 3. Any critical trial. |
| 11. Soil. | 4. To lie up. |
| 13. OE (actual). | 5. Scientific name for health. |
| 15. A medicine used for neuralgias. | 6. Difficulties. |
| 17. To rebuke. | 8. Present of "Bo." |
| 18. To desire. | 9. A tormentor of political candidates. |
| 19. Weight used for precious stones. | 10. To degrade. |
| 21. DU (actual). | 12. Shaggy. |
| 22. A band for the waist. | 13. Ancient. |
| 24. Towards. | 14. A piece of ground. |
| 25. An exclamation of joy. | 15. A timber tree. |
| 26. TU (actual). | 16. NAT (actual). |
| 27. To perish. | 20. Torpedo boat destroyer (abbrev.) |
| 28. "I". | 22. Of the feminine sex. |
| 30. Mouldy. | 23. One of the other. |
| 33. A large plant with a woody trunk. | 25. Food. |
| 35. A disease of the skin. | 26. Practical skill. |
| 36. Every one separately considered. | 27. Employed. |
| 38. A chum. | 32. To yelp. |
| 40. NER (actual). | 34. EF (actual). |
| 42. A titled man. | 37. CELLS (actual). |
| 44. Thank you! | 39. A short rope used for fastening articles. |
| 45. SC (actual). | 41. To be mad. |
| 46. A quadruped's parent. | 43. One mounted on horseback. |
| 50. The rainbow. | 45. The sun. |
| 52. Alternatives. | 46. Meat juices. |
| 53. Company (abbrev.) | 47. Views. |
| 54. A thin covering. | 49. Measured. |
| 55. To perform. | 51. In this manner. |
| 56. To throw out. | 53. A piece of glass. |
| 57. To place. | 54. DDS (actual). |
| 58. Look! | 56. A snake like fish. |
| 59. Father. | 57. To proceed. |
| 60. Word of negation. | 58. BU (actual). |
| 61. ED (actual). | 59. Editor (abbrev.) |
| 62. The back part. | |
| 65. A circular motion. | |
| 67. To be busy about trifles. | |
| 69. The last point. | |
| 70. To employ. | |
| 71. Grief. | |

Competitors are reminded that the prize is to be awarded for the correct solution, or if nobody succeeds in getting the correct solution, for the NEAREST correct solution. Therefore, even if you have not done the cross-word puzzle in full, send in what you have done—it may prove to be the nearest correct solution.

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Considerable surprise was occasioned in the Colony when it was heard that the Customs at Canton had been closed yesterday.

On inquiries, it was learned that a holiday was being observed as yesterday was the anniversary of the death of the "72 martyrs of the Revolution."

Since January 1, 1927, Chinese Maritime Customs stations in South China have flown the Nationalist flag and not the five-barred "Republican" banner of Peking.

This is the first year that the Customs has been closed on account of a holiday not recognised by Peking.

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The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" from Hong Kong on March 9, arrived at Vancouver on March 27. The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" (Capt. St. Robinson, O.B.E., M.R.) will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Manila, Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama, at 1 p.m. to-day.

The P. & O. s.s. "Delta" left Singapore for this port on March 26, at 8 a.m., and is due here to-morrow, at about 6 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Malwa" left Singapore for this port on March 27, at 8 a.m., with the outward English mails, and is due here to-morrow, at about 6 a.m.

The B. & O. s.s. "Lakona" left Singapore for this port on March 25, at 3 p.m., and is due here to-morrow, at about noon.

The B.I. s.s. "Takada" will leave Amoy for this port to-morrow, p.m., and is due here on April 1, at about 3 p.m.

The B.I. s.s. "Tilawa" left Singapore for this port on March 26, p.m., and is due here on April 1, at about 1 a.m.

The Ben Line s.s. "Benroch" from Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London and Straits, is due to arrive here on April 2.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Japan ports and Shanghai, on March 19, and is due here on April 8.

The m.v. "Japan" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Antwerp on March 17, and is due here on or about April 29.

SHIPS IN PORT. This morning there were 71 ocean-going merchant vessels in Hong Kong harbour. Of this number, 21 fly the British flag.

During the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. to-day, there were 19 arrivals (4 British) and 16 departures (8 British).

Bound for their homes up-country, 48 deportees arrived in Hong Kong on the s.s. "Telemachus," in the charge of 16 armed Sikh guards. One of the "bad characters" being repatriated through Hong Kong is a woman.

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EMPEROR OF CANADA	June 1	June 4	June 7	June 10	June 13	June 16
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 4	July 7
EMPEROR OF ASIA	July 11	July 14	July 17	July 20	July 23	July 26
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Aug. 1	Aug. 4	Aug. 7	Aug. 10	Aug. 13	Aug. 16
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Aug. 24	Aug. 27	Aug. 30	Sept. 2	Sept. 5	Sept. 8
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HAWAII MARU Friday, 8th April.

LA PLATA MARU Friday, 6th May.

BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.

SUMATRA MARU Monday, 4th April.

HONOLULU MARU Tuesday, 19th April.

DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ESSALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.

MEXICO MARU Sunday, 1st May.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.

SEATTLE MARU Wednesday, 27th April.

BANGKOK—Via Saigon.

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TAIKWA MARU Tuesday, 28th April.

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LAHAD DATU	Departure	Saturday	March 19	5 a.m.	
JAMBONGAN	Arrival	Saturday	March 19	11 a.m.	
SANDAKAN	Departure	Sunday	March 20	5 a.m.	
JESSELTON	Arrival	Sunday	March 20	8 a.m.	
HONG KONG	Departure	Sunday	March 20	5 p.m.	
SANDAKAN	Arrival	Monday	March 21	5 p.m.	
JESSELTON	Departure	Wednesday	March 23	6 a.m.	
SANDAKAN	Arrival	Wednesday	March 23	2 p.m.	
JESSELTON	Departure	Saturday	March 26	5 a.m.	
HONG KONG	Arrival	Sunday	March 27	3 a.m.	
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ALFORD	6,273	20th April Noon	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
DELTA	8,097	27th April Noon	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
MALWA	10,941	30th April Noon	Marseilles and London
LAHORE	5,252	10th May Noon	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
NELLORE	6,653	11th May Noon	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way & K'chi
KHYA	9,135	14th May Noon	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
JEYPORE	5,314	20th May Noon	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
NYANZA	7,025	25th May Noon	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MOREA	10,918	28th May Noon	Marseilles & London
KASHMIR	9,005	11th June Noon	Marseilles and London
MANTUA	10,902	25th June Noon	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
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ARAFURA	5,000	5th April	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
TALMA	10,000	8th April	Moji, Kobe & Osaka
JEYPORE	7,648	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NELLORE	6,653	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
KHYA	9,135	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NYANZA	7,023	29th April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MOREA	10,953	29th April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
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Ponder, Miss C. Matheson, Mr. F.
Eberhardt, Mr. T. P. Obbinson, Mr.
and Mrs. G. C. Ogilvie, Mr. Chang
Hoi-wan.

DEPARTURES.

Among the first-class passengers
sailed from Hong Kong on March
29 by the "President Madison" for
Shanghai, Japan and Seattle, were:
—Rev. B. Penn, Mrs. E. L. S. Sut-
ter, Col. Y. Takakawa, Mrs. J. P.
and Mrs. J. Wilcox, Miss S. A.
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Mr. D. Keith, Mr. N. C. Mc-
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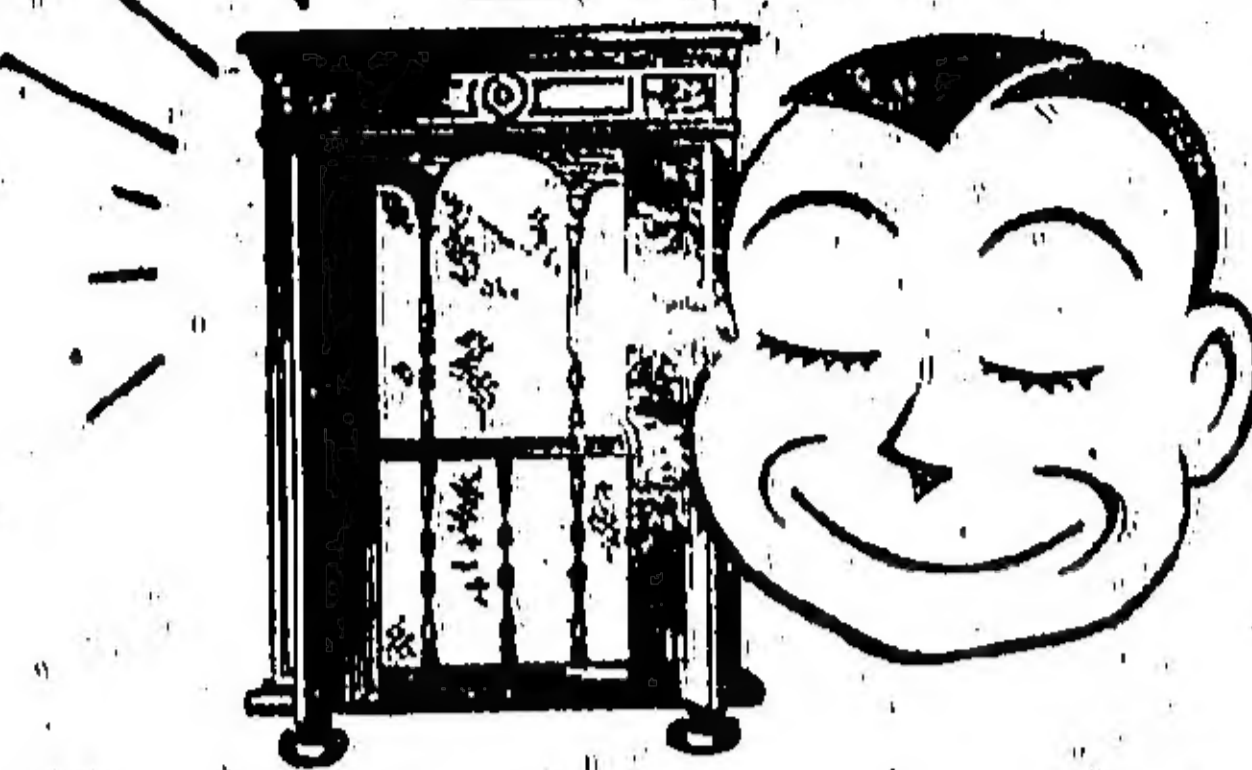
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AN IMMEDIATE NECESSITY.

Commenting on the situation in
China the London "Times" re-
echoes what has been said out
here time and again of recent
months—that the immediate
necessity in China is sheer physi-
cal defence. Whether or not there
is a conflict between the Moder-
ates and the Extremists of the
Nationalist Party, all recent
events show that the Extremists
are doing their best to force an
issue in the direction they prefer.
With such elements, the "Times"
rightly says, further negotiations
are impossible. It will be time to
resume political negotiations
when a genuine Chinese National-
ism again emerges in an organised
form.

The Extremists are once again
"slated" by General Chiang Kai-
shek. He has ordered a sharp
look out to be kept on the "Reds,"
who are "committing crimes in
the name of the Kuomintang, but
with the full consent of the Party
authorities." This declaration
comes rather late in the day. The
Nationalists have been warned re-
peatedly—even long before the
commencement of the Northern
Expedition—against the machina-
tions of the "Reds." General
Chiang Kai-shek had innumerable
opportunities for eliminating the
"Reds" from the Party councils.
The true picture of Karakhan,
Borodin & Co. was painted for his
benefit in practically every refer-
ence to Canton politics. But all
that he did was to make a half-
hearted attempt to rid his own
immediate presence of the
Extremists, whilst retaining

Borodin as Adviser to the Govern-
ment!

The danger to-day is seen by
the Canton General Commanding
the troops north of Shanghai. In
proclaiming martial law over the
district, he states that lawlessness
will not only fail to support diplo-
matic actions in the interests of
China, but will also obstruct
peaceful negotiations with the
Powers. Then he proceeds to
blame the "counter-revolution-
ists," whom he accuses of having
done much to discredit the regular
Nationalists.

All this is a sad commentary on
the ability of the Nationalists to
govern. If they are not strong
enough to suppress the Extrem-
ists (alias the Reds) in their
midst they are certainly quite in-
efficient in the equally (if not
more) vital matter of restraining
lawless mobs. They are absolute-
ly incapable of affording to for-
eigners that degree of protection
of their lives and property that
is essential in the light of recent
crimes of violence on a wholesale
scale. They may advance a hun-
dred assurances of their sincere
desire to protect foreigners, but
the bubble is pricked when the
only possible rejoinder that the
Powers can put forward is "sheer
physical defence as the immediate
necessity" of the moment. The
more ready the Powers are to
negotiate the more eager are the
Extremists to force an issue in the
direction they prefer. And, un-
fortunately, the Extremists so far
have gained all along the line at
the expense both of a genuine
Nationalist Government and of
China's relations with foreign
Powers.

The Right Way.

Another vexed question, having
its Imperial aspects, has been
amicably settled. For a long
time, until recent weeks, the re-
lations between India and South
Africa had been gravely strained,
consequent upon threatened legis-
lation by the Union Government,
which, if passed, would have sub-
jected the Indians in South Africa
to segregation and imposed upon
them invidious trading restric-
tions. As 21 per cent. of the
population of Natal is Indian, or
about half that of the European
element, it is not difficult
to believe that the announced in-
tention of General Hertzog's Gov-
ernment greatly perturbed both
the peoples of India and South
Africa. Had the proposed legis-
lation been proceeded with there
is no doubt that an exceedingly
serious situation would have
arisen. Not only would the im-
proving relations between the
British Government and the In-
dian Swarajists have been badly

jeopardised, but there might easily
have been serious civil distur-
bances in Natal, where Asiatics,
mainly Indians, number nearly
200,000. Wiser counsels, how-
ever, have prevailed. The Indian
and South African Governments
agreed to confer and out of their
conference has happily come
peace. A compromise has been
effected, under the terms of which
the existing voluntary repatriation
scheme is to be extended and the
bonus to Indians returning to
their native country has been in-
creased while free passages are to
be granted to the port of debarka-
tion and from the port of landing
in India to the repatriated Indians'
new domicile. By this means cord-
ial relations have been re-
established between the two coun-
tries and though neither Govern-
ment has committed itself to more
than an undetermined temporary
experiment, there is a professed
desire on both sides that the tenta-
tive settlement prove a permanent
one.

CORRESPONDENCE.

SERVICE MEN AND PEAK TRAMS.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")
Sir,—It was with delight that I
read a letter in your columns to
aid the Service men in connection
with travelling on the Peak Tram
by an "Old Resident."

I should like to help them fur-
ther. I was one day unfortunate
enough to miss the 4 p.m. car at
the top station. The next was
4.15. So I amused myself reading
notices. There was a small
notice of Services of First Church
of Christ Scientist in the tram. I
noticed a similar notice which I
was not near enough to see, and
thought no more of it.

I was talking to a friend one
evening, when a Service man came
up. He said: "What do you
think is the latest in the Peak
Trams? A notice is up to say
that Service men when travelling
at Service rates must occupy the
back seats in the saloon. The no-
tice is so small that no one would
know what it was for, and civil-
ians who get out at the various
stations nearly always occupy
those seats as they are easier to
get out from."

Why do seats have to be
allotted to them. If Peakites can-
not sit next to Service men, well
let them use their motor cars. In
the Homeland anyone travelling
by tram car or bus has to sit
where he jolly well can. There
is no choice whom you have to sit
next to, so why should Service
men here be treated on the level
of a Chinese coolie?

Yours, etc.,
PROUD OF THEM.
Hong Kong, March 29.

"TURN OF THE TIDE."

LIBERALS AND BY-ELECTION SUCCESS.

EXTREMISTS IN DISFAVOUR.

London, March 29.
The defeat of the Labourites at
Leith and North Southwark, both
it should be noted, industrial cen-
tres, is attributed to the electoral
dislike for the methods of exte-
mists, as the Labour left wingers,
with an infusion of Communists,
were very active in both by-elec-
tions.

Mr. Strauss long nursed North
Southwark and probably obtained
many Conservative votes in the
absence of an official Conservative
candidate.
The Liberal papers and spokes-
men today are jubilant and de-
scribe North Southwark as the turn
of the tide, clinching the verdict
at Leith. They declare these
victories are evidence of the good
effect of the recent closing up of
party ranks, and the work of Sir
Herbert Samuel since he was ap-
pointed chairman of the organisa-
tion committee of the party. Sir
H. Samuel's announcement in
February that he intended to run
five hundred Liberal candidates at
the next general election is regard-
ed as no longer optimistic, but as
good business from the Liberal
viewpoint.

Sir Herbert Samuel, interviewed
on the North Southwark result,
said the fortunes of Labour until
recently were rising, but are be-
ginning to ebb, while the flow of
Liberalism is now at the turn of
the tide and is likely to increase.
The electorate realised that social-
ism is the wrong policy. Further-
more, Labourites are fundamentally
divided on questions of confisca-
tion, Communism, and foreign
policy. Their leadership conse-
quently is weak and vacillating.
Simultaneously, the Conservative
Government is rapidly falling in
public esteem.—Reuter.

Mr. L. Chin, manager, Hong Kong
Engineering and Construction Co.,
Ltd. returned to the Colony yester-
day by the "Paul Lecoq" from
Shanghai. Mrs. O. P. Remedios also
arrived by this boat. Missionaries
in Miss E. M. Varley, and Mr.
Andersen came to Hong Kong and
Miss Pickin and Miss Hall are
travelling on to Colombo.

SHANGHAI'S FUTURE.

Views of the Average Man.

POINTS FOR THE POWERS.

With the arrival of General Pei
Chung-hsi and the Southern troops,
order has been restored in Chapel
and the unfortunate district is left
to lick its wounds and recover as
best it may. Remarks the "North
China Daily News" of March 24.
General Pei's assurances for the
maintenance of peace are what
might be expected of a subordinate
of General Ho Ying-yin who has
certainly established a reputation
for fair dealing and for doing what
he can to repress the Communist
mob. But unfortunately there is
no guarantee that either General
Pei or General Ho will continue to
control the Shanghai area. For
two or three days they may do so.
But it seems to be understood that
Messrs. Eugene Chen, T. Y. Soong,
Sun Fo, and the usual Political
Bureau are on their way from Han-
kow to take charge. If and when
they come, we may expect a renew-
ed outbreak of the mob violence
customary at Hankow and wherever
Southern politicians establish them-
selves.

At this critical juncture it is of
the first importance that the foreign
community of Shanghai should have
a clear-cut idea of how they stand.
The Municipal Council in the Man-
ifesto published to the world yester-
day have given us a splendid
lead and it is essential that they
should be backed up by the whole
force of the community. Nothing is
to be gained by recriminations, by
pillorying this official or that, by fu-
tile crying over spilt milk. Shanghai
stands now confronted with the
most dangerous crisis in its career
and it is vital that we should pre-
sent a united front.

Twin Delusions.
The thoughts of the average man,
looking now to the immediate and
distant future, might perhaps be
expressed as follows:—"We trust
ourselves; we believe that our or-
ganisation for resisting strikes and
other forms of economic pressure is
good and that we can resist and
overcome them. We trust most
supremely in our splendid defence
force, the Navy, the troops from
Great Britain and elsewhere, the
S.V.C. and the Police. We think
that the British Government has
done splendidly and wisely in send-
ing this magnificent force to pro-
tect us and we thank them sincerely.
Had it not been for that strong
defence, the International Settle-
ment might now be what Chapel
is and worse. But, candidly, we
are not sure of our respective gov-
ernments in political matters. We
frankly are afraid that we may
wake up one morning to find that
they have made fatal concessions to
the Nationalists, just as was done
at Hankow, under the twin delu-
sions that the so-called Nationalist
Government is a settled and per-
manent organisation and that its
good will may be won by friendly
gestures and conciliation."

Hard Facts.
Now as regards these two de-
lusions, let us stick to facts. Whether
or not the pupils of Borodin can
be won over by concessions and
yet more concessions, is possibly a
matter of opinion, though all ex-
perience teaches that this policy
only spurs them to further excess.
But certainly there can be no two
opinions that the Nationalists are
not yet and have not yet made any
pretence of producing a settled gov-
ernment. They have been in Cen-
tral China since last September and
there is nothing of their creation
which even remotely resembles or
garnishes government. There is no
proper system of collecting revenue,
none of account keeping, no idea of
a budget, none of adequate polic-
ing and the ordinary machinery for
protecting the life and interests of
law-abiding citizens. There is no-
thing but a few so-called bureaux,
imposingly named but with no sub-
stance or foundation. Sometimes
attempts are made by the Nation-
alist Ministers to stop this bit of
disorder or put down that instance
of Labour Union arrogance, but
ways it ends in failure. We do not
doubt that Eugene Chen, in signing
the agreement with Mr. O'Malley,
meant and hoped to carry out his
part of the bargain, but it is per-
fectly clear that he is unable to do
so. From place to place the Na-
tionalist Government flits, now in
Canton, now in Hankow, presently
in Shanghai, to-morrow it may be in
Nanking always with big profes-
sions and loud talk but with no real-
ity except mob law and disorder
and ruined trade.

Give and Take.
These are statements of fact
which cannot be disputed, and they
are the whole argument for un-
wavering protection of the existing
constitution of Shanghai. What-
ever views our respective Govern-
ments may have for our future
status, let us combine in urging
them, with all the strength and
unity we command first to require
of the Nationalist Government that
it should prove itself a Government
in the organic sense of the word.
There can surely be no offence,
wounding of the tender suscepti-
bilities of Nationalism, in saying
something like this:—"We realise
that while you are fighting a civil
war, you have no time for details
of internal administration; but in
view of the tremendous interests at
stake, those of your countrymen
quite as much as ours, you will for-
give us for saying that until you
have given proof of the sort of ad-
ministration you mean to produce,
we cannot negotiate for any change

SHANGHAI SCANDAL.

Second Post Office Strike.

STRONG NEWSPAPER COMMENT.

Quite apart from any considera-
tion of the local situation, the com-
plete stoppage of the Chinese Post
Office, dealing with a vast amount
of international mail matter in one
of the world's busiest and most im-
portant commercial entrepôts, is a
matter the gravity of which cannot
but be over-estimated, says the "North
China Daily News" of March 23.
That it should be possible for such
an institution to be completely
paralysed twice in the short space
of one month would be unbelievable
if it were not only too true. It is
a matter that affects not only the
local postal officials, the striking
postal workers and the unfortunate
houses and individuals whose mails
have been held up indefinitely, but
the whole fabric of the interna-
tional postal system. It is a
flagrant violation of the inter-
national postal agreement which
all the nations concerned regard as
binding and as unbreakable as any
international compact could be, and
that China has broken that agree-
ment in a manner that must be
unprecedented anywhere must con-
stitute an ill omen for the future
of the Chinese Post Office. In
1922 the foreign Powers voluntarily
gave up their post offices in China
on the understanding that China
herself would provide a service as
reliable and as unimpeachable as
that of any other nation or nations.
But of that cannot be gainsaid
that China has failed, and failed
badly.

The Next Move.
The next move must inevitably
come from the other members of
the International Postal Union.
What that action will be it is too
soon to envisage, but that it will
be drastic and constitute a sure
preventative of a recurrence of
the present scandalous conditions
is strongly to be hoped. As a
nation suited to belong to the In-
ternational Postal Union, China has
failed lamentably and the other
Powers, members of the Union, can
hardly fail to take notice of the fact.
In the meantime, we can only hope
for some slight relief to the present
situation which, of all the happen-
ings, in China to-day, is at least
one the possibility of which ought
never to have existed. It is surely
a very extraordinary thing that
adequate preparations can be made
for the continuance of all other
public utilities, but, as regards the
Post Office, nothing.

BELOW AVERAGE.

"NOT SO BAD AS IT LOOKS."

LOCAL SMALL-POX EPIDEMIC

The number of small-pox cases
so far reported this year is high-
er than last year, but a long way
below average, said the Medical
Officer of Health when interview-
ed regarding the eighteen cases,
with nine deaths, that were re-
ported last week. The situation
was "not so bad as it looked."
Dr. Pope was of opinion that
the peak of the epidemic had been
reached and that small-pox would
figure less and less in the daily re-
turn. As soon as the warm weath-
er arrived, small-pox will gradu-
ally disappear.
Imported cases, it was pointed
out, figured largely in the notifica-
tions and in this connection, the
M.O.H. referred to the large num-
ber of "Chinese entering the
Colony during the last month or
so."

Dr. Pope also referred to the
excellent work in regard to vac-
cination that the St. John Ambu-
lance Brigade was going. Small-
pox was one of the most infectious
diseases and vaccination was the
only way in which it could be
stamped out.

In Shanghai's condition. First
show us what you can do. Take
what time you please, one year, two
years, or more; take what place you
please, Hankow, Canton, Nanking;
organise a government in that place,
convince us that that government
rests upon proper departments,
that it has a budget, a police force,
the ability to maintain peace and
execute justice. We know you can
pull down; prove to us also that
you can build up. Then and not
till then will you have convinced
us that you have a case for claim-
ing a share in the government of
Shanghai and it will then be time
to negotiate.

The British Government has
given to the Cantonese such a proof
of its good will as no other govern-
ment ever gave to another country.
It has a clear record as regards
China; it demanded no guarantees
at Hankow; it made a free gift;
morally it is, in the common
phrase, "one up" on the Nation-
alists. So far as Great Britain is
concerned, her record is perfectly
clear and she need have no hesi-
tation in requiring that the Nation-
alists should give proof of what
they can and mean to do before any
discussion with them about Shan-
ghai. This is the core of the Con-
ciliatory policy, and on that condi-
tion let us stand unitedly.

"CEMENT" LOSSES.**Shareholder On "Closing Down."****DEEP WATER BAY WORKS.**

To depression of business throughout the year was attributed at this morning's general meeting, the loss on the year's working of the Green Island Cement Company (with depreciation) of \$2,905.57.

Prospects for the year, it was stated by the Chairman, were more hopeful.

The old Aalborg Kilns were finished with, it was stated, and were being replaced by a modern factory at Macao. The ground had been cleared at Hok Un in readiness for the installation of the latest Rotary Kilns as soon as funds were available.

At the conclusion of the Chairman's address and seconding of the adoption of report and accounts, Mr. N. Y. A. Croucher put the following series of questions to the Chairman (Mr. R. G. Sheehan):

Mr. Croucher's Queries.
Mr. Croucher: What capital outlay is represented in the property and works at Deep Water Bay?

The Chairman: On Dec. 31, 1926, \$250,655.13.

Mr. Croucher: What has been expended on those works during the last 14 years?

The Chairman: \$197,018.34 on buildings and machinery and \$6,392.50 on land.

Mr. Croucher: What profit has been made on those works during 14 years of working?

The Chairman: \$51,041.02.

Mr. Croucher: This is very small having regard to the capital outlay.

The Chairman: That is a matter of opinion.

Mr. Croucher: It is the feeling of shareholders that this branch of our business should be closed down. Will the Directors please give this matter their early and earnest consideration?

The Chairman: This is a very serious question. I quite understand your feeling but to accede to this we should have to dislocate the whole organisation and when an improvement comes in the market it would take many months to train a new staff. Our fine new brick kilns, again, would be ruined.

14 Years, No Profit?
Mr. Croucher: But in 14 years we have made nothing.

The Chairman: If there had been the same demand as there was in 1925 we should be making a profit. However, this whole matter is already receiving the consideration of the Directors.

Mr. Croucher: It is reported that the two mechanical Grate Kilns now erected at Macao were first erected at Hok Un. Is this so?

The Chairman: Yes, they were transferred to Macao where they are awaiting re-erection.

Mr. Croucher: How much was expended on them from the time that they were ordered, shipped and erected at Hok Un?

The Chairman: The cost was \$126,000.00.

Mr. Croucher: Why were they dismantled and re-erected at Macao?

The Chairman: To allow for the demolition of the Aalborg Kilns.

Macao Contract Questioned.
Mr. Croucher: I should like to know what was the contract time for erecting these kilns at Macao and the cost and whether it is true that the contractors took nearly double the time? Also, whether it is right that owing to faulty construction of the new works at Macao further expense was incurred in re-building? Did the contract contain any penalty clause for non-completion on time and if so, was it enforced? Finally, if the total cost of the two kilns was \$711,000, how is the sum made up?

The Chairman: There was no contract time as we did the work ourselves supervised by Messrs. W. S. Bailey & Co. The estimated time for the completion of the Rotary Grate Kilns at Macao was 18 months, but owing to numerous delays in the material coming forward, local conditions, etc., it was two years before they were finally completed. The only adjustments made after the buildings were completed amounted to 2 or 3 thousand dollars. The final cost of the completed plant was \$743,017.58.

New Post Queried.
Mr. Croucher: Has a new post, namely that of a sub-manager at Macao, been created during the period under review?

The Chairman: Mr. Haywood, who used to be in charge of our Singapore Agency, has been sent to Macao to take charge of the office there, so as to leave the Superintendent more time to supervise the running of the factory.

Mr. Croucher: Have we no expert of our own to do this supervision?

The Chairman: All the management staff are experts at the work.

Mr. Croucher: Why should W. S. Bailey & Co. do this work then?

The Chairman: Our experts were busy with other work and the appointment of an extra man was needed.

Mr. Croucher: When times were prosperous, such an appointment was not considered necessary. Why should it be so now?

The Chairman: The plant at Macao has been increased on a much bigger scale.

Matter of Opinion.
Mr. Croucher: It is our opinion that expenses should be cut down.

The Chairman: That is a matter of opinion.

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Ending March 30th.

There were three cases of notifiable disease in the Colony on Tuesday, all Chinese from the city district. Two were of small-pox and the other of enteric fever (typhoid).

A golf ball driven from the last tee at Landudno, Mead, Golf Club, struck a rock, rebounded, and struck the player in the mouth. Several stitches were inserted at the Cottage Hospital.

The third annual meeting of Hong Kong & Territorial Estates, Ltd. is to be held at 2.30 p.m. on April 8, at St. George's Building. Transfer books of the company will be closed from March 31 to April 8 inclusive.

The horrendous habit of referring to the alligator pear as an alligator pear led the California Avocado Growers' Exchange to issue a protest recently. "It is bad enough," read the protest, "that a Welsh rabbit contains no rabbit and that no horse has ever eaten horse-radish, but that the avocado, an exalted member of the laurel family, should be called an alligator pear is beyond all understanding. The humiliation of calling this fruit after a repulsive reptile is too great to bear."

A honey-bird recently lured a native working at Suwayo, South Africa, to a deadly snake hidden in a tree. The snake struck the man who died within a few minutes. This adds strength to the popular belief that the honey-bird sometimes maliciously leads its victim to a lion, leopard or snake instead of a store of honey. It is understood that the workman saw the bird fluttering from tree to tree and followed it in the hope of finding a store of wild honey. He must be considered a funny fellow in the bird world.

One of the most interesting electrical labour-saving devices that will be shown at the Ideal Home Exhibition is the new "Mag-net" machine, which is a Jack-of-all-trades. Its primary purpose is the washing and wringing of clothes, but by an easy interchange of attachments it may be converted into a meat mincer or a sausage maker. It will also produce ice cream at short notice, chop vegetables, and clean and sharpen knives. It closes down to form an ironing table. The appliance is British in conception and is made in England by the General Electrical Company.

The sale of curios at Messrs. Lammert Bros., rooms in Duddell Street, announced for to-day, has been postponed till to-morrow.

Six tons of coppers formed part of a total amount of 25,000 collected by undergraduates of Liverpool University in street collections for medical charities.



General Sir George Milne, recently appointed Commander-in-Chief of the armies of Great Britain, to succeed Lord Cavan.

When preparations were being made for the welcome of the Prince of Wales to Buenos Aires, the public school children of the Argentine were set to learn the British national anthem. Naturally, it had to be spelled phonetically, and this is the version that was used.

Himno Ingles.

God seiv aua greichas Kin
Long liv aua nobel Kin
God seiv di Kin
Send jim victorias
Japi and glorias
Long tu rein over as
God seiv di Kin
Dai choisest gifts in stor
On jim bi pised tu por
Long mei li rein
Mei ji defend aua loos
And ever guiv as cos
Tu sin wit jart and vois
God seiv di King.
When sung by the children, it sounded quite all right.

An Aldershot Command order states that full lodging, light and fuel allowances are to be given to the families of men serving in the Shanghai Defence Force who are on the marriage roll.

Mr. W. W. Hornell, C.I.E., M.A., (Vice-Chancellor of the University) will distribute the prizes at St. Stephen's College Founders' Day, to be observed in the Great Hall of the University at 7.30 p.m. this Saturday.

More than two billion, eleven million coffee trees have been planted in Brazil since the inception of coffee cultivation two centuries ago, according to the latest figures issued by the Coffee Institute of Sao Paulo.

*** THEOSOPHY ***

"WHAT IS THEOSOPHY?" will be the subject of this Week's Public Lecture of the Hong Kong Lodge The Theosophical Society, 7, Duddell Street, on Thursday, March 31, at 8 p.m. The Public are heartily invited to attend.

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It is amazing to read, says the "Straits Times," that recently in London, a few misguided females have actually been presenting young men with the white feather for not "volunteering" for service with the Shanghai Defence Force. If the War Office wanted volunteers for this mission they could be had in thousands.

A society for defending men's rights against women has been founded in Vienna, and the other day a sitting was held, when its President spoke with deep emotion of Charlie Chaplin's divorce, of his wife's "betrayal," and the wives of women in general. A resolution was carried to send Charlie Chaplin a vote of sympathy, and to request him to start a society of the same kind in the United States; further, to ask him to visit Vienna on his tour through Europe, and speak on the American marriage and divorce laws. A member of the society then discussed the possibility of the Government introducing a tax on bachelors, as in Italy, in which case they would demand its extension to spinsters, provided the ladies in question were in good health and favourable material circumstances.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

A member of the law firm of Messrs. Hastings, Denny & Bowley in Mr. C. Bulmer Johnson goes on Home leave to-day, sailing on the "Empress of Canada."

Going on Home leave via Canada, Mr. John Arnold (secretary of the Hong Kong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.) sails to-day from Hong Kong on the "Empress of Canada."



Josef Hofmann, the famous pianist.

After a short stay in Hong Kong, Mr. E. W. Massey (managing director of Messrs. Reiss, Massey & Co., Ltd.) returns to Shanghai to-day, sailing on the "Empress of Canada."

Captain T. T. Laurensen, D.S.O., local branch secretary of the China Coast Officers' Guild and president of the Home Club, goes on Home leave to-day by the "Empress of Canada."

After being with Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, Mr. G. M. Young, M.B.E. (a principal of the firm) is leaving for Home to-day on retirement. He sails on the "Empress of Canada" and travels via Vancouver. Mr. Young is a director of the Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank, a member of the committee of the Chamber of Commerce, president of the Tai Koo Club, member of the committee of the Peak Club, has been chairman of the Hong Kong Club and of the St. Andrews Society and is an official justice of the Peace.

Mr. R. L. Stewart arrived in Hong Kong yesterday on the "St. Albans" from Kobe.

Mr. G. E. Towns, acting chief accountant of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, sails for Home to-day on the "Empress of Canada."

The annual ball of the 4th Submarine Flotilla (China Squadron) has been indefinitely postponed on account of "unforeseen circumstances."

Oriental manager of the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Ltd., Mr. Allan Cameron leaves for Yokohama to-day on the "Empress of Canada." Mr. Cameron is also a director of several public companies in Hong Kong.

Mr. T. C. Monaghan (purchasing agent and catering superintendent of the Canadian Pacific S.S. Co., Ltd. in Hong Kong) leaves for Vancouver to-day, with his family, by the "Empress of Canada." Mr. Monaghan is a keen golfer and tennis player.

Among the many passengers on the "President Madison" when she sailed yesterday for Shanghai, Seattle and ports were Mr. F. W. Sutterle, Colonel Y. Takakawa, Mr. and Mrs. S. Erlanger, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Warren and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hickling.

The following deaths were announced at Home in last week:—Rev. Alfred Redman, vicar of St. James, Heywood, for 42 years, and honorary canon of Manchester, a writer on botany and geology, at Heywood, aged 82; Rev. Edward James Elliott, rector of Broadwater, Worthing, since 1906, while visiting Brighton, aged 84; Mr. Robert Henry Coates, formerly general secretary of the United Machine Workers' Association, at Sunderland, aged 65; and Mr. Walter Bull, one of the senior members of the Corporation of London, and Deputy Alderman of Bishopsgate Ward, at Snaresbrook, aged 88.

News has been received of the death at Home of a retired Hong Kong merchant in Mr. Herbert Stephens, whose daughter is the wife of Mr. Colin Sara of the Public Works Department. Mr. Stephens came out in 1908 and till his retirement in 1923 was head of Messrs. H. Stephens & Co., commission agents. He has since lived at Harborne, Birmingham and was 69 years of age. As a yachtsman, an ardent sportsman, owner of the motor boat "The Kipper," and a member of the Hong Kong Jockey Club and of the old Phoenix Club, he is remembered by many friends in the Colony. Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Sara in their bereavement.

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Cedric Arthur Leary Rickett, No. 1A, Chatham Path, May Road, to Alice Beatrice Cox, Fulmar House, Farthing, England.

Captain J. S. Crawford, Mr. J. A. W. Loureiro and Mr. L. J. Sawyer were among the passengers on the Manila-bound "President Hayes" when she left Hong Kong yesterday.



J. E. Sterrett, famous economist, and member of the transfer committee under the Dawes plan.

Mr. W. T. Daley of the Hong Kong office, passenger department, Canadian Pacific Steamships, Ltd., has been appointed to Kobe, and sails to-day on the "Empress of Canada."

Mr. Ma Wong-chun (managing director) and Mr. Jan Con-sang (manager) of the Sincere Co., Ltd., Hong Kong were passengers on the "President Madison" which left for Shanghai yesterday.

The wedding took place at Christ Church, Sharnoon, on Saturday of Theodore Oswald, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lammert, and Ethel Dolores Quirk, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. Quirk, of London. Mr. Charles Lammert gave the bride away, and Mr. E. W. Lammert acted as Best Man. Mrs. Wyndham Law, wife of the Deputy Commissioner of Customs, was the Matron of Honour. The Rev. C. L. Blanchet officiated. A reception was held at Mr. and Mrs. Lammert's residence, a large number of friends attending, and wishing the young couple every happiness.

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FASHIONS AND FANCIES

Hats of the New Season.



Hats that mould the head are seen along with the hats that continue very high in the mid-season mode. Very distinguished are the new hats smartly draped, pulled or cut into unusual lines and in unusual fabrics.

The very high hat with its oddly dented or creased crown still persists in attracting attention and will be much seen throughout the winter season—particularly in the new and very soft felts that come in such charming colours.

Brims remain of little importance in the newest hats. They rarely appear in any definite shape. The winter hat still persists in featuring either brimless hats or tiny brims that turn themselves down all around, up all around or in ruffled effects, partly upturned or in all sorts of odd ways made important to the high-crowned hat.

Crowns remain the important part of the hat. Creases mark its height, folds are seen and all sorts of indentations in all sorts of places mark it chic and becoming.

The very new hats, of course, mould the head and are of turban lines—the helmet hat, the new cap line with tam drape, a toque that is drawn on like a cap, the hat with the crest-like fold from front to back, a sort of Mephistopheles cap with oddly pointed sides and other unusual effects lead the mode in hats.

Grosgrain ribbon, as usual, is seen in the mid-season. Straw adaptations with taffetas, silks and knitted threads also are seen. The embossed antelope felt is new in the mode.

Feather trimming is much seen on the new hats. Broad feathers greatly covering the hat are very interesting features of some of the new grosgrain hats. Shaded feather flowers are also a new fancy of the season. Silk flowers in unusual designs are seen on the hats that come across seas, but in general the hat that relies entirely upon its own unusual lines and boasts no trimming is most successfully seen.

Combinations of fabrics are used smartly. Straw and silk, grove particularly effective. Folds, creases and odd arrangements of the fabrics distinguish all the new hats. Colours vary from the soft shades of blue, rose, beige, grey and

green to vivid tones in felts and silks. Gold in woven fabrics is much seen while the black hat, as usual, is always smart.

Corinne Griffith, who wears the hats of each season with so much distinction, finds the new head-moulded hats decidedly smart and becoming. In her new First National film, "The Lady in Ermine," Miss Griffith chooses several of the new season's favourites.

TIGHT-HAT RISK.

Will the wearing of close-fitting hats of the cloche type affect women's hair in the next few years? This is a question exercising the minds of hair specialists (says the London "Daily Mail").

By wearing these hats on bobbed, shingled, or Eton-cropped hair women the reproducing some of the conditions that affect the hair of men who wear tight-fitting headgear.

Several hairdressers told a "Daily Mail" 2 reporter that "thinning out" of the hair among women is more common than it used to be. Unwise choice of hats is, in their opinion, the sole cause.

Mr. J. H. Browne, chairman of the Hairdressers' Registration Committee, said:—"Two most harmful things to the hair are lack of ventilation and interference with the circulation of the blood. If the headgear is too tight not enough blood will go to feed the roots, there will be no essential 'secretion' or natural grease, and there will not be an adequate supply of colouring matter. A woman should take care that the hat is large enough not to cause undue pressure, and she should beware of anything that makes a line on forehead or scalp. There is a greater danger to hair in lack of proper ventilation. A hat should be worn in such a way that there is ample air space, and to ensure that ventilation is adequate a material should be chosen that admits air. Yet get ventilation through such things as velvet, felt and cloth materials, but those that do not admit air—oil-skin and similar materials—should be avoided."

Black Taffeta Vogue.



Everywhere that Mary goes this season she is apt to take with her at least one frock of black and at least one of taffeta, and, if she be wise in the ways of the mode, she will generally combine the two and have one very distinguished costume of black taffeta.

There are many lines to choose from in selecting the black taffeta afternoon gown. There may be a bouffant tendency or a very simple silhouette featuring an intricate cut. Simplicity generally marks the advent of the black taffeta gown and very little in the way of trimming is added to its native smartness.

Colour may, of course, be an added feature of the gown. If it be seen at all its mark of distinction is its artistic outline. A collar of cream lace, a vest of shell pink, a brilliant blue ribbon, embroidered motifs of gold, colored thread stitching or any other simple means of adding another colour note is always effective.

All black is, of course, much seen. And the combination of black and white is as pleasing to the sartorial senses this season as in past years.

The very full skirt that possesses an uneven hemline is much used in taffeta frocks. Waists are, of course, bound to be snugly fitted and sleeves have all manner of opportunities to make themselves important. The very long and bell-shaped sleeve, the tight fitting sleeve terminating in a balloon shape are also in vogue while the bishop or butterfly sleeve enters into this season's point of interest.

Billie Dove, seen in her newest First National film, "An Affair of the Polies," wears a black taffeta frock smartly applied in white broadcloth, with a bouffant skirt, fitted waist and balloon sleeves.

SHINGLED HAIR.

"The shingle won't last a decade. Long hair will return as sure as the sunshine follows the rain," says Marcel, the inventor of the "now famous" hair wave.

Mr. Long, who assisted Marcel to popularise the wave, declares, however, that the shingle will be fashionable for the next 30 years. These conflicting opinions were obtained when Messrs. Marcel and Long visited London. They were accompanied by their wives, neither of whom was bobbed or shingled.

Mr. Long added that the shingle would be long-lived because it went with short skirts, which must continue.

The Eton crop, he said, was doomed because it was ugly.

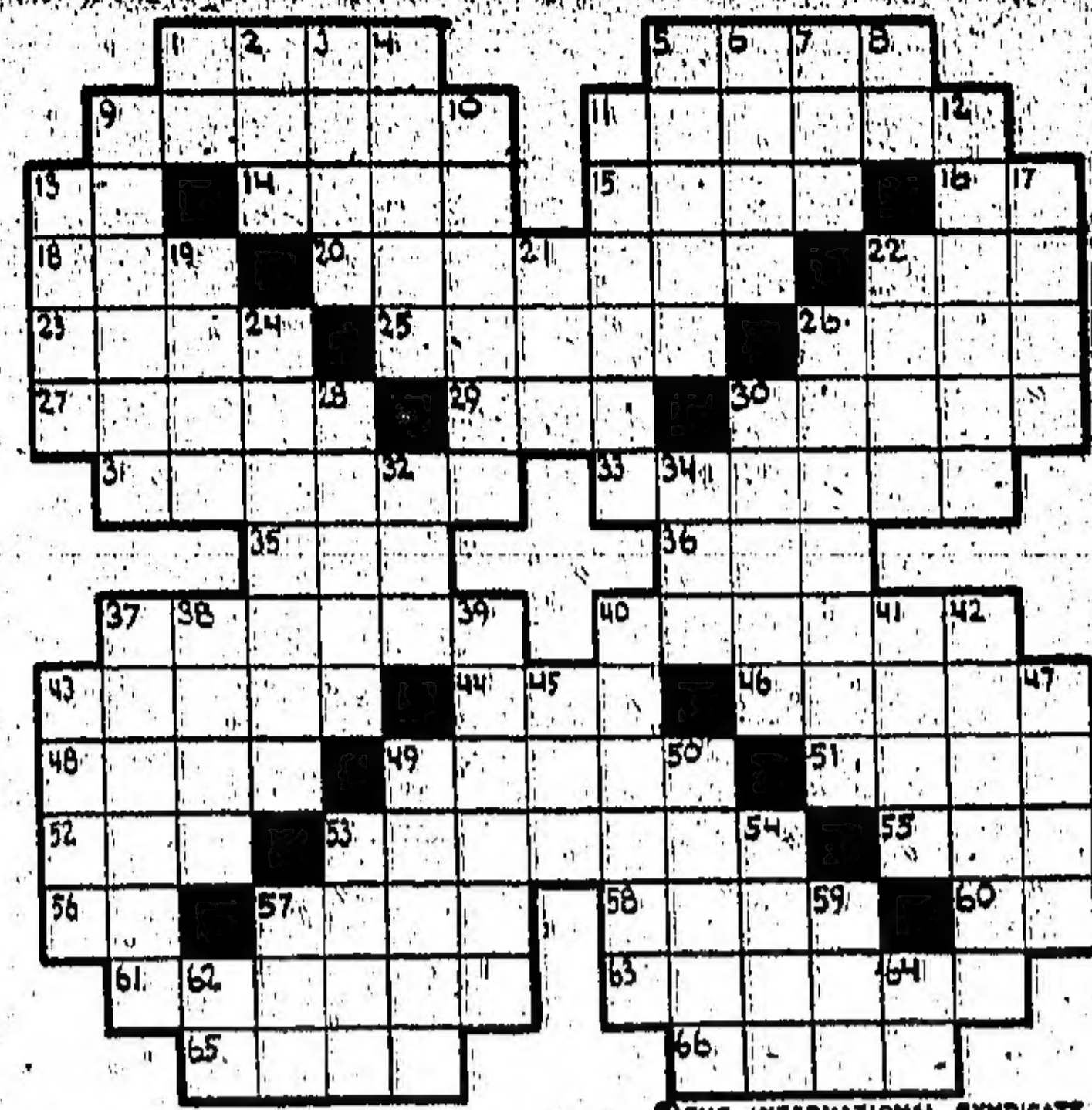
FASHION'S CHANGES.

Depression in the Worst Trade.

The present vogue in knitted goods and the short small skirt was one of the factors of the depression in the worsted trade, said Mr. Wood, secretary of the Woollen and Worsted Trades Federation in the

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and alkali.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Residence
- 2-Girl's name
- 3-Brilliant group of stars
- 11-Divine pro and con
- 12-Title of address (abbr.)
- 14-Small cubes, used in games
- 15-Frank
- 16-A liquid measure (abbr.)
- 18-A cereal grass
- 20-Triangular
- 22-Color
- 23-Leading man
- 24-South American ruminant
- 25-To hold in check
- 27-Wearies
- 28-Point of the compass (abbr.)
- 30-To cover with paint
- 31-Mind
- 32-Wish
- 33-To place
- 35-The human race
- 37-Landscape
- 40-Perianth, nightingale
- 42-Belabor
- 43-Female sheep
- 44-Famous Jewish leader

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 48-Innate
- 49-Goads
- 51-Toward the sunset
- 52-Reel in
- 53-Relate
- 55-Prefix meaning "through"
- 56-Exist
- 57-Price of passage
- 58-Dry
- 60-King of Bashan (Bib.)
- 61-Canes
- 63-Up-to-date
- 65-Victim
- 66-Style

VERTICAL

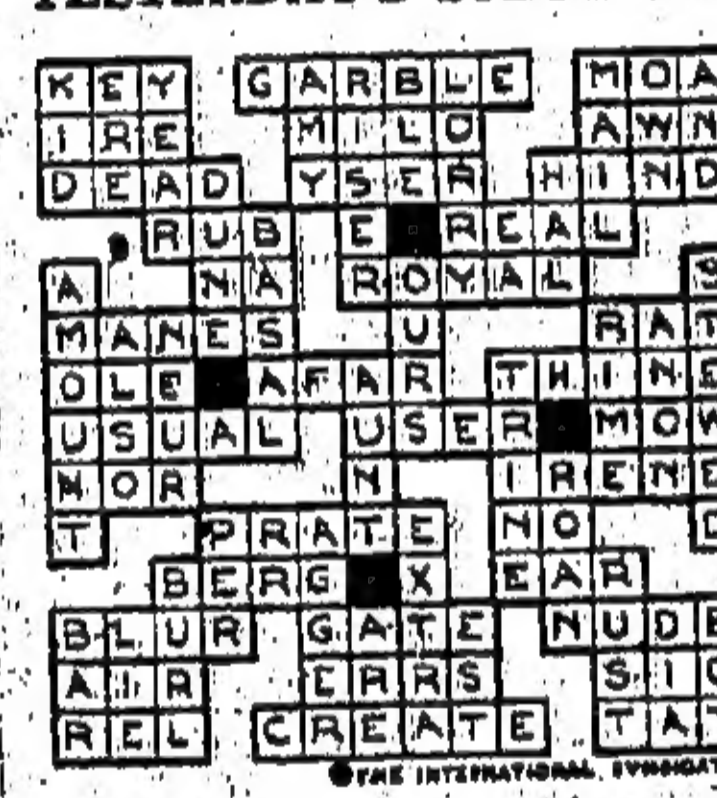
- 1-Ejaculation
- 2-Elderly
- 3-A female servant
- 4-Surpass
- 5-A reddish-brown pigment
- 6-In bed
- 7-Hastened
- 8-By or near
- 9-Without recompense
- 10-Shouted
- 11-Condemned
- 12-Partially to horses
- 13-Famous sheep
- 14-Utmost degree
- 17-Canvas shelter

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 19-Ancient seat of sovereignty in Ireland
- 21-Light brown
- 22-One who inherits property
- 24-Full
- 26-Arch of light in the sky
- 28-Bridges
- 30-A hymn
- 32-Organ of vision
- 34-An Australian bird
- 37-A connected succession
- 38-To imprison
- 39-Waits upon
- 40-An incoherent uproar
- 41-Second-hand
- 42-Injury
- 43-Part of some plants
- 45-To court
- 47-Male deer
- 48-Jauntily
- 50-Devotion for sharpening a razor
- 54-Lateral surface
- 59-A tree
- 60-Lair
- 62-Township (abbr.)
- 64-Recording Secretary (abbr.)

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



course of a paper read before the Royal Statistical Society upon "The Wool Industry." One did not usually meet the depression by discharging trained workpeople, but by short time. Mere figures of unemployment therefore did not tell the whole tale. The depression, reckoning the decline both in numbers employed and their average earnings, in the wool and textile industry as a whole, showed a 25 per cent. reduction in 1926 compared with May 1920. This depression had lasted for three years, and showed no signs of lifting.

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THE WAY THE WORLD WAGES

"Ambassador" is to be the name of a new telephone exchange to be opened shortly at Market-street, Paddington, W.

An eleven-month-old Shorthorn bull calf, owned by Lord Lovat, was sold at Perth for 2,000 guineas to Mr. Joseph Shepherd, London.

Acting on the recommendation of the church committee, the vicar, the Rev. J. L. White, has prohibited the Charleston at a dance arranged by the Nunanton-parish church.

During the absence for four months in Chile of Dr. Thomas De La Barra, Chilean Consul in Glasgow, his daughter, Miss Olga De La Barra, is to act as Consul.

The Rev. Edward Smith, an 83-years-old clergyman of Oshkosh, Wisconsin, U.S.A., a native of Cheshire, England, has been married to Miss Florence Williams, aged 44.

At Bath Joseph Williams, 40, officially regarded by the authorities as a Spaniard, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment for returning to England after being expelled.

In addition to a previous gift of £10,000 Mr. Bernhard Baron, chairman of Carreras, Ltd., has given £5,000 to the fund for the reconstruction and development of Mid-devex Hospital.

While giving evidence at a North-fleet, Kent, inquest on a neighbour, who was found dead at home, Mrs. Jane Hollands, of Coopers-road, Perry-street, collapsed and died within a few minutes.

"He was so annoyed when I accused him of 'oscillating' that he said he would do me in within a week," said William Littlemore of Gordon Shaw, who was bound over at Hull for using threats.

Sir Arthur Whitney, president of the Institute of Chartered Accountants, who is 61, was married at Chelsea register office to Mrs. Mary Gwendoline Charlotte Gunn, aged 28, of St. James-street, Chelsea.

An umpire, on appeal, has decided that 1,500 miners, on strike at Castletown, North Durham, since the coal stoppage ended, against the employers' terms, have the right to draw unemployment allowance.

Palmer's Company, shipbuilders, Jarrow-on-Tyne, have booked their fourth oil-tanker order within a fortnight, the latest vessel being a 10,000-ton motor-ship for the British Tanker Company, Ltd., London.

Coal and coke shipped from the Tyne in January amounted to 1,340,000 tons, an increase of 150,000 tons compared with the previous January and only 342,000 tons less than January 1913, a record year.

In a fire which destroyed the lower portion of the house, Mr. William Dainty, aged 79, a commercial traveller of Grand-drive, Leigh-on-Sea, was trapped in a bedroom and was rescued unconscious, by the firemen.

The Prime Minister is to receive a deputation from the London County Council regarding the recommendations of the Royal Commission on Thames Bridges, and with special reference to Waterloo Bridge.

M. Rasmussen, the Danish Arctic explorer, says that Canada, the United States, and Denmark will send simultaneous expeditions to the Arctic regions to investigate the origin and archaeology of the Eskimos.

The cost to the Exchequer of the search for Mrs. Agatha Christie, the novelist, who disappeared from her home at Sunningdale, and was subsequently found at a hydro in Harrogate, was £12 10s., said the Home Secretary.

After having accidentally shot a boy companion, who has since recovered, while out rabbiting, Joseph Harding, of Teversall, Nottinghamshire, shot himself, and at the inquest a verdict of Suicide while of Unsound Mind was returned.

At Hertfordshire Assizes Edward Tenfold professional to the South Bedfordshire Golf Club, was awarded £1,765 damages against Messrs. Bailey-Hawkins, of Watlington, near Hitchin, for injuries received in a motor collision near Hitchin on December 31, 1925.

Wanted in York, through the publication of a report in "The Daily Mail," Ernest "Beady" Hill, at Chesterfield, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment, concurrent with a similar sentence for a previous offence, for obtaining food and lodging without payment.

At a recent meeting Middlesex ratepayers expressed the opinion that owing to the increase of rates the ratepayers of the County Council should be asked to contribute towards the cost of the Council's expenses.

The Rev. Canon Joseph William Coulter, rector of Bridport, Dorsetshire, has been appointed vicar of Calne and archdeacon of Wiltshire.

Mr. Terry Pruden, son of Mr. A. G. Pruden, who was chairman of the British Chamber of Commerce during the visit of the Prince of Wales to Buenos Aires, has been drowned while bathing.

As a woman, not yet identified, was crossing Forest-road, Waltham-stow, E., she was run down by a motor-car, and before she could be removed a second motor-car ran over and killed her.



Stokely W. Morgan, who has been appointed chief of the United States Latin-American division of the State Department, an appointment which is felt to have a bearing on the Mexican and Nicaraguan situations, since the division handles all affairs on this continent.

Victor, Earl of Tankerville, an early 18th-century panel of Flemish tapestry, painted 1525-1530, and a Chinese lacquer cabinet with three compartments, 16th century, were sold at Sotheby's.

An omnibus on the Nottingham-Mansfield route skidded, crashed into a wall near Newstead Abbey gates, and overturned, but all the passengers escaped serious injury.

Null-sized models of the proposed entrances to the Piccadilly-circus tube station, on either side of Messrs. Swan and Edgar's premises, will be put into position for official inspection.

At Moresambay Bay, the body was found of Florence Hindley, aged 29, of Patricroft, Manchester, a nurse at the Westmorland Sanatorium, who had been missing since the previous morning.

William Henry Woodhouse, head master, and Herman Beaumont Ashley, one of his assistants, were committed for trial at Derbyshire Assizes by Chesterfield county magistrates on a charge of perjury.

A verdict of Death from Natural Causes was recorded at the inquest at Bedford on Eva Lady Seton (widow of Sir William Seton), who was found unconscious in her flat and died in hospital.

A modified one-way traffic system will be put into operation on either side of the Strathairn statue island site at the junction of Knightsbridge and Brompton-road, S.W.

At Enfield, Middlesex, General Booth opposed the application, which was granted, for a beer, wine, and spirit off licence by Mr. Arthur Henry Lloyd, Post Office Stores, Hadley Woods, who undertook not to open on Sundays.

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